1	2	3		
II. UTTAR PRADESH				
6.	Hardwar-r' kesh	080.00		
7.	Kanpur	3270.00		
8.	Allahabad	1390.00		
9.	Varanasi	972.00		
10.	Mirzapur	045.00		
New Towns				
11.	Moghal Sarai	026.00		
12.	Ghazipur	039.00		
13.	Saidpur	002.00		
	Sub Total	5825.00		
III WEST BENGAL				
14.	Barrackpore	315.21		
15.	bansberia	442.68		
16.	Rishra	349.86		
17.	Baidyabati	160.65		
18.	Budge-Budge	180.60		
19.	Badreshwar-champdani	689.01		
	Sub Total	2138.01		
	Total	8337.31		
Ganga Action Plan Phase-II (Supreme Court Towns)				
UTTAR PRADESH				
20.	Bijnor	115.50		
21.	Chunar	105.00		
22.	Anupshaher	31.50		
23.	Ranipur	<b>3</b> 30.75		
24.	Gopeshwar	34.65		
<b>2</b> 5.	Karan Prayag	02.10		
26.	Rudra Prayag	68.25		
27.	Badrinath	21.00		
28.	Srinagar	98.70		
29.	Deo Prayag	10.50		
30.	Uttar Kashi	84.00		
	Sub Total	901.95		
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31.	Mokamah	61.67		
32.	Khelgaon	31.45		
<b>33</b> .	Hazipur	76.44		
	Sub Total	169.55		
WEST BENGAL				
34.	Naihati	392.70		
35.	Kharda (extended)	66.57		
36.	Gayespur, Halilshar and Kanchrapara	713.18		
37.	Konnagar	593.25		

1	2	3
38.	North Barrackpore	210.84
39.	Jijganj-Azimganj	86.63
40.	Diamond Harbour	13.73
41.	Garulia	280.35
42.	Katwa	57.75
43.	Dhulian	47.70
44.	Jangipur	62.97
<b>4</b> 5.	Mahestala	102.90
46.	Chakdan	66.68
47.	Murshidabad	37.51
	Sub Total	2732.73
	Total	3804.23
	Grand Total of GAP-II STP's	12141.54

### **Reservation to Minority Communities**

2489. SHRI D.P. YADAV: Will the Minister of WELFARE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government propose to provide reservation to the minorities as per recommendations of the Mandal Commission; and
  - (b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF WELFARE (SHRI BALWANT SINGH RAMOOWALIA): (a) and (b) In pursuance of Supreme Court's judgement in Indira Swahney Vs. Union of India case, Central Lists of Backward Classes in respect of various States have been prepared which include number of caste/communities of people following minority religions such as Scheduled Caste Converts to Christianity in Andhra Pradesh, Dhobi (Muslim) in Bihar, Mappila in Kerala etc.

As per the recommendations of National Commission for Backward Classes, set up in August, 1993 to consider representations for inclusion/over inclusion of various castes/communities, a number of castes/communities of persons following the minority religions have also been included such as, Dhobi (other than whose who are already included in the list of Scheduled Castes for U.P.) of Uttar Pradesh, Jolah (Ansari-Momin) of West Bengal, Meo of Haryana, Other Muslims excluding (i) Bohra (ii) Cutchi Memon, (iii) Navayat (iv) Turukkan (v) Dakhni Muslim of Kerala.

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# **Mercy Petitions**

2490. SHRI HARIN PATHAK; Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

- (a) the number of mercy petitions for commutation of death sentences received during the last three years; and
  - (b) the details thereof?

to Questions

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI MOHD. MAQBOOL DAR): (a) 13 mercy petitions for commutation of death sentences under Arrticle 72 of the Constitution were received during the last three years.

(b) Details are provided in the attached statement.

### Statement

#### S.No. Name of the Prisoner

- Dhananjoy Chatterjee, Central Prison Alipore, Calcutta, West Bengal.
- Laxman Nayak, Circle Jail Barpada, Orissa.
- Bheru Singh, Central Prison, Jaipur, Rajasthan.
- Shankar alias Gauri Shankar, Central Prison, Salem, Tamil Nadu.
- Eldin alias Albert, Central Prison, Madurai, Tamil Nadu.
- Suresh Chandra Bahri, Central Jail, Bhagalpur, Bihar.
- Amrutlal Someshwar Joshi, Yervada Central Prison, Pune, Maharashtra.
- Ravji @ Ram Chander, Central Prison, Indore, Rajasthan.
- Uma Shankar s/o Bheru Lal Central Prison Indore, Madhya Pradesh.
- Gantela Vijayavaradhanarao, Rajahmundry Central Prison, Andhra Pradesh.
- Sathuluri Chalapathi Rao, Rajahmundry Central Prison, Andhra Pradesh.
- Kamta Tewari,
   Central Prison Jabalpur,
   Madhya Pradesh.
- Surja Ram,
   Central Prison Jaipur,
   Rajasthan.

# Industrial Co-operatives of SC/ST Communities

- 2491. SHRI SANDIPAN THORAT: Will the Minister of WELFARE be pleased to state:
- (a) whether the Government have formulated schemes to encourage the industrial cooperative ventures of SC/ST communities for their encounce emancipation;
- (b) if so, the details thereof with financial allocation available to Maharashtra under these schemes during the current year, schemewise;
- (c) details of projects cleared and under consideration so far; and
  - (d) the steps being taken to clear them?

THE MINISTER OF WELFARE (SHRI BALWANT SINGH RAMOOWALIA): (a) to (d) The Government have established National Scheduled Castes/Scheduled Tribe Finance and Development Corporation under Section 25 (Not for Profit) of the Companies Act, 1956, on 8th February, 1989 with the objective to extend highly concessional financial assistance to SCs and STs having income below double the poverty line for income generating schemes. The loan is extended to individual SC/STs below double the poverty line, partnership firms, joint individuals and cooperative societies where all the members belong to SC/ST commodity and are also below double the poverty line. The Cooperative Societies include industrial cooperative ventures also. So far as the State of Maharashtra is concerned, industrial cooperative projects with a project cost of Rs. 130.80 lakhs have been sanctioned. So far as the current year is concerned, no proposal of industrial cooperative was received. Therefore, in the current year no project has been sanctioned. No proposal of any industrial cooperative from the State of Maharashtra is pending for approval.

# Liquidity crisis of Sugar Mills

- 2492. SHRI SANAT MEHTA: Will the Minister of FOOD be pleased to state:
- (a) the other measures taken by the Government to solve the liquidity crisis faced by the sugar mills apart from increase in sugar buffer stock, encouraging its export and higher allocation for the Public Distribution System; and
  - (b) the net effect of those measures?

THE MINISTER OF FOOD AND MINISTER OF CIVIL SUPPLIES, CONSUMER AFFAIRS AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SHRI DEVENDRA PRASAD YADAV):
(a) The zonal ex-factory prices of levy sugar for the 1996-97 season have been revised on 12.2.1997 and are retrospectively effective from 1.10.1996. The sugar mills have been allowed to pack sugar in consumer packs of 1, 2 & 5 kgs. thereby improving their returns on the average ex-factory prices by way of direct